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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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PATENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed, March 8, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a one month extension of time, from June 8, 2006, through July 8, 2006, and a Notice of Appeal accompanies this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.